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Fee increase supported by student federation

by Dave Ley

Tuition costs are to increase again in the next academic year according to a press release by the Québec government.

The increase is supported by the Fédération des Etudiantes de Université du Québec (FEUQ), a student federation of which McGill is a member.

In a statement by Lucienne Robillard, Minister for higher education and science, tuition fees are to be indexed to the Consumer Price Index (CPI), which would lead to an increase this year of 6 per cent. FEUQ recommended this in a report last fall.

"Indexation is the best way to prevent large jumps in tuition rates," said Micheal Sardi, VP à l'Externe at the Université du Montréal, which is also a member of FEUQ. "If we present a reasonable solution we can convince the government not to initiate large tuition hikes."

Other student groups have been highly critical of the government's proposal and of FEUQ's support of any tuition increase.

"The government must be thrilled to pieces that a student organization is supporting tuition increases," said James Brown, VP External of the Concordia University Student's Association. "This and progressive increases will lead to less accessibility for those who cannot afford high tuition rates."

"FEUQ's perspective is not on those students who are in a difficult financial position."

In a press release dated December 20, FEUQ said it was happy that the government had taken its advice to raise tuitions only by the

CPI. It said the government should also raise the amount it gives to universities by the same rate.

It is not clear whether the government will increase the education budget.

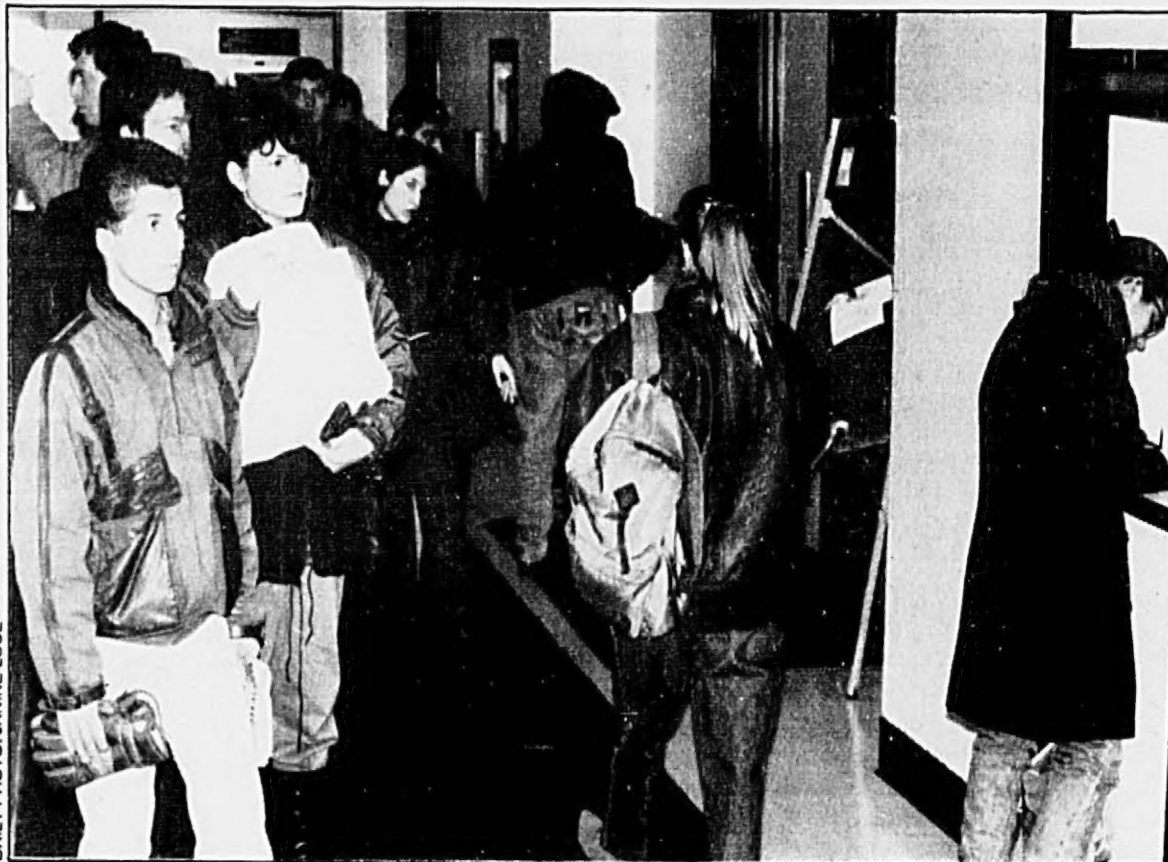
Karla MacDonald, VP External for the McGill Student's Society, also emphasized that the government must take the second part of FEUQ's recommendation and increase funding to education, including loans and bursaries, by 6 per cent.

"We need to show that student groups are willing to cooperate with the government, not fight against it," said Karla MacDonald. "The idea is to have a united front before the government makes its final decision."

L'Association National des Etudiants et Etudiantes du Québec (ANEEQ), FEUQ's rival student organisation, strongly denounced FEUQ's position.

"We need a reduction of tuition fees, not an increase," said Julie Genrais, spokesperson for ANEEQ, "students are poor enough, their incomes don't increase by the CPI."

McGill will be falling in line and increasing its tuition rates in Sep-



McGill students lining up to pay tuition fees.

tember, according to McGill's VP Planning, François Tavenas.

The Québec government justified the fee increases by citing that numerous student groups had sup-

ported an increase in tuition. Since 1990, tuition rates have gone up approximately 155%, from \$550 to \$1400 a year. For a student paying \$1400 in basic tuition now that

would lead to an increase of \$84 next year. With student fees, course material charges and other fees, a full time undergraduate would be paying \$1844 a year.

Black women in court after minor bus incident

by Ita Kendall

Two black women arrested last September after a minor confrontation with Montréal police say their case illustrates the inbred racism within the Québec legal apparatus.

Ackhaji Worrel and Tereska Nurse, were both arrested and charged with mischief, obstructing justice and obstructing a peace officer.

Nurse said she has learned something from the whole experience.

"I'm learning how to go through the judicial system," she said. "They don't want me to know about their system but they brought me into it."

She said their case had wider implications. "This (case) is not about me," she said. "It is part of a larger thing. It's about the larger scale attacks on anyone who is marginalized in this society."

The incident began last September when a bus driver insulted the woman and her friends as they boarded the bus.

After the women sat down, the driver saw one of the women stick out her tongue at him. He then stopped and called police who forcibly ejected the women from the bus. When the women then argued with police officers, they were arrested.

Nurse, who was strip-searched at the police station following her arrest, is thinking of taking action against the police.

"I'd like to sue their ass," she said. "I didn't play their game. That's why they had to strip-search me. They had to bring me down a level."

Worrel was also originally charged with assaulting a peace officer, but the charge was dropped prior to a preliminary hearing in November.

"They dropped the charge due to lack of evidence," said Worrel. "But I didn't know it had been dropped until I asked to see a list of the charges and saw it wasn't there."

Worrel was upset she had to pay close to \$100 to travel to Montreal for a hearing that lasted less than 15 minutes. But she said she is glad she lives far away in Toronto. "I would feel a lot less safe if I lived in (Little) Burgundy," she said.

She said the court appearance was stressful because both women do not speak French and they had trouble understanding the court proceedings.



Paper supports striking print workers Guelph *Ontarion* goes out on limb

by Clive Thompson

TORONTO (CUP)—A Guelph University newspaper has moved to support striking workers at a local community newspaper by withdrawing their printing business.

The *Ontarion* stopped printing at the Cambridge *Daily Reporter's* presses last November.

"From a strictly business perspective, it's not a good move," said *Ontarion* editor Max Macdonald. "But there was definite politics involved, definite political support for this."

The *Ontarion's* board of directors voted to withdraw the paper's business after the striking worker's union approached them.

The student council also voted to cease advertising in the *Reporter*, to cancel its subscription and to ask the university to remove all *Reporter* newspaper boxes from campus. "It was basically a show of solidarity," said council president Chris Powell.

Fran Soboda, a union representative for the workers, said support from the *Ontarion* and the Guelph student council is important. "Members (at the *Reporter*) are very strong because there's a lot of community support for this."

But *Reporter* publisher John Butler said the workers in charge of printing the *Ontarion* are not involved in the strike. "There was nothing about the printing of their paper that was in anyway involved with the

union strike."

He would not comment directly on the *Ontarion's* stance.

The union also asked *The Cord*, at Wilfrid Laurier University, to stop printing with the *Reporter*, but its publisher and staff refused.

One student is organizing a petition to force the *Ontarion* to resume printing at the *Reporter*. The student claims the move is financially irresponsible and doesn't reflect the opinion of most Guelph students, said Macdonald.

"This is a left-of-centre paper, as is the student council, and Guelph has a reputation of being a sort of left-of-centre university. But I don't think the editorial board was trying to represent the student body at large," said Macdonald.

The *Ontarion* will continue to boycott the *Reporter* until the strike is over, even though they expect it to carry on for several months.

Switching printers will cost the *Ontarion* several hundred dollars more per week, and could generate \$10,000 in extra costs by the end of the year. Macdonald doesn't think the move is financially ruinous because the *Ontarion* would still break even at the year's end.

Union members at both the *Reporter* and the Guelph *Daily Mercury* voted 85 per cent in favour of going on strike. The union had been bargaining for 15 months on the issue of wage disparity amongst newsroom staff, said Soboda.

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COMMENT

Across the ocean blue

It's 1992, and a happy new year to all.

1992 may bring to mind visions of capitalism in the former USSR, rising unemployment and rampant poverty here, Québec sovereignty, a high profile David Duke, and increasing support for the Canadian Reform party.

It's also the 500th anniversary of the arrival of Columbus, and the 350th anniversary of the founding of the French settlement in Montréal.

Given the number of problems facing us today, it is worth asking why we should bother to commemorate these anniversaries. After all, they're about history, and we have pressing problems right now.

But we choose to commemorate certain events for a reason. We select and use history to define our identities as people and as nations. These anniversaries are intended to allow people to celebrate their origins and to identify the direction their society takes today.

The figure of Columbus as discoverer, as the bearer of "Western Civilization" to the "New World," is one cherished by many who see their society as exemplary of "progress." According to such people, our North-American lifestyle, based on free enterprise, democracy, and an impressive array of consumer goods represents the best of all possible worlds.

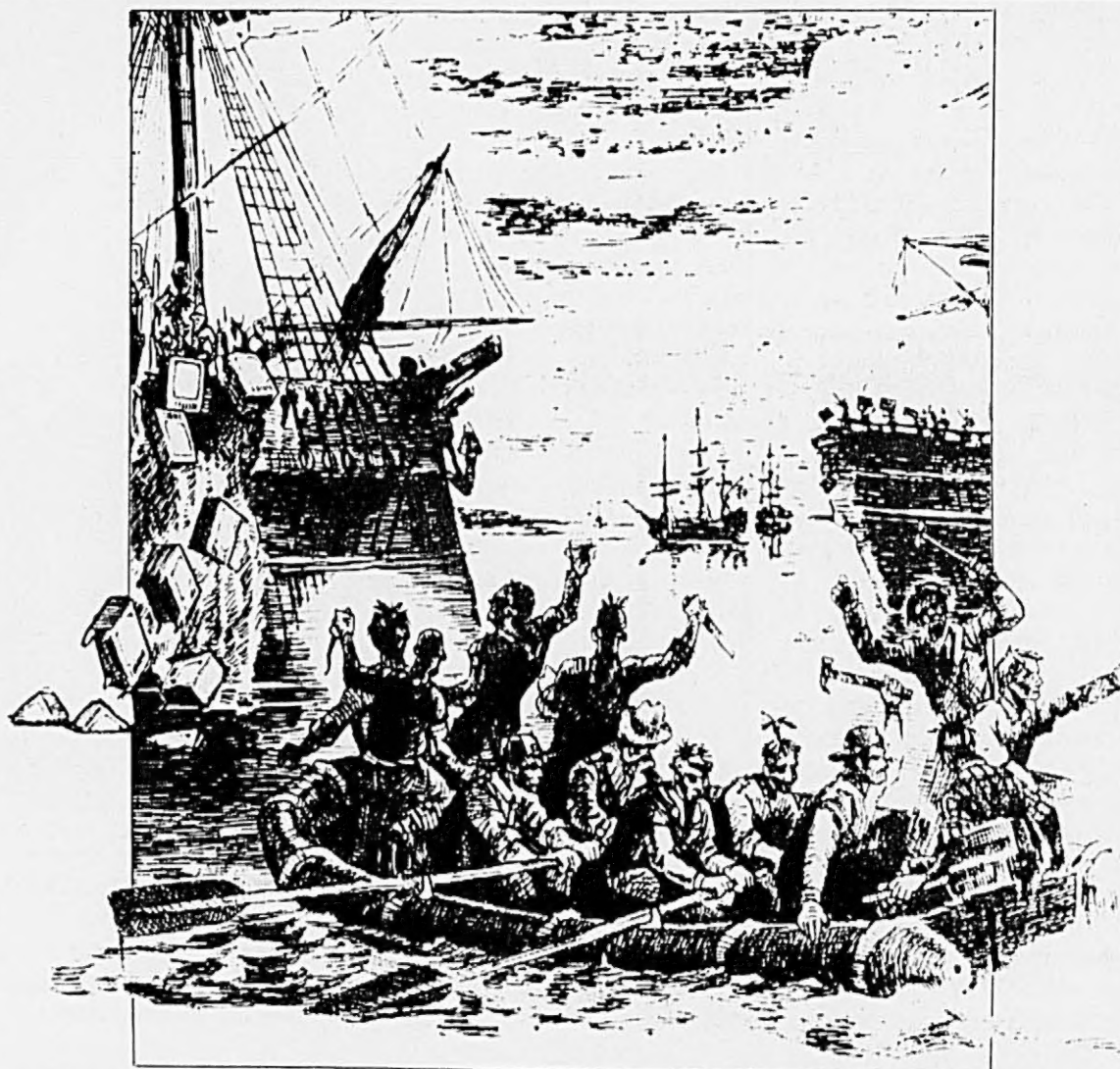
To First Nations' peoples, blacks and other marginalized groups, Columbus represents not "progress" but the beginning of a bloody invasion that is still going on today. The outcry against the anniversary celebrations is not only a condemnation of Columbus, but an indictment of our civilisation for its basis in imperialism and genocide.

We need to redefine our history and our ideas of our origins, but we also need to stop the continuing invasion and oppression. What is needed is not guilt, but action.

In Québec, the heirs of Columbus are planning to build a dam on the Great Whale river, flooding land that belongs to the Cree and Inuit. Mohawks are going on trial in Canadian courts for having the temerity to assert that the land belongs to them. The historical roots of Black, First Nations, and other communities continue to be denied or ignored in Canadian schools and media.

The atrocities that Columbus began still continue today. It's time to recognise the crimes of our past and present, and to work to bring them to a decisive end.

Lynn Chaiken
Fiona McCaw
Robin LeBaron



LETTERS

Roslin infers that the "close ties" between the McGill International Development Students Association (MIDSA) and McGill International resulted in financial support from the Canadian Government (CIDA's Youth Initiatives Project) which is somehow improper. Yes, our Office has worked closely with MIDSA in reference to the CIDA-YIP program, resulting in specific CIDA grants in 1990 and 1991 which has enabled 17 McGill undergraduates to visit development projects in 12 countries and to carry out development education activities on campus. McGill should be proud of its participation in this program, and I suggest that the *Daily* run some articles on the experiences of these students so that the McGill community can judge for itself the nature of this activity.

Not mentioned by Roslin is that in addition to MIDSA, 24 students in two other McGill student groups participated in the 1991 CIDA-YIP program, and that at least 13 other students this year have found additional programs and sources enabling them to obtain an international experience. Let's hear about them in the *Daily*.

E. Donefer, Director
McGill International

This year's marathon

To the Daily:

McGill Improv would like to thank everyone who dropped by the Alley and 107/108 in the Union Building November 27th and 28th to support us during our 24-hour Comedy Marathon for the Sun Youth organization.

Audience participation helped keep

our energy flowing, for which we're extremely grateful. This year's marathon raised \$326.45 in cash donations and over three cartons of non-perishable food items, making it one of our most successful to date. Thanks to everyone who donated to Sun Youth — every contribution helps.

Special thanks go out to Richard Renaud, Moji Anderson, J.C. Viens, Martin Lauriault, CUTV, CIRL, CJAD, CHOM, CJFM, the Pulse news crew, Liz and Kathleen from Studebaker's, and the Weiss family.

Jacques Viau
Arts U2

Doing it yourself in Holland

To the Daily:

I am so distressed to hear about the problems our midwives are facing today because they are not recognized and protected.

My first birth experience was in Holland where I participated in the home birth of a close friend. Ten months later I was having my own home birth in Holland — worry-free and totally unaware that this was not the norm. In that country, midwives are legal, protected and even encouraged by the medical community. And why not? Pregnant women are not sickly patients in need of extensive medical care. What she needs is 6 or so months of guidance, advice, encouragement and pre- and post-natal knowledge.

The time I was allotted by my midwife in Québec for my second child (1 hour every visit) and the personalized care I received, was heartwarming and instead of dreading my visits (waiting for hours

in an obstetrical clinic for a brisk 15 minute overhaul), I looked forward to sitting back and talking to my midwife about my physical and psychological wellbeing.

The birth of my second child was another quick and relatively easy one. As my midwife said, I did it myself.

That is my point. We can do it ourselves in most cases, but we need to competence and professional care of the midwives.

Let's keep the hospitals for what they do best, medical emergencies.

We need to wake up here in Québec and protect and encourage our midwives.

They are a vital instrument in the nurturing of pregnant and birthing women all over the world and it would be a crime if they were not allowed to be active here in Québec as well.

S. Benson

Cloaks of positive masculinity

To the Daily:

Egad! (I mean Ethan!) Is it because December 6 is rolling around that so many McGill males don the cloak of "male feminism" to bash feminists over the least sign of resistance to their gallant onslaught? Coleman in *The Tribune*, Haurie in *The Faucet*, Keaton at PIRG and letter-writers everywhere: men are "breaking the silence" all over and a few more female heads in the process. As it is the fashion around March 8, "masculinity" is being redeemed with a vengeance by men's movement types, with or without a feminist pretention. It's reversal time.

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LETTERS

Most definitely censorship

To the Daily:

Racist, sexist, and homophobic letters are banned from publication by the *Daily*. This policy is most definitely censorship. Supporters of this policy perceive it to be a necessary mechanism to dam the floodgates of hate literature. McGill students must be prevented from reading racist, sexist, or homophobic literature for fear they be inspired to promote lynching, rope, or slavery in society at large. The *Daily* wants to nip that natural trend in the bud.

In our present political context, racist, sexist, and homophobic attitudes are disdained. Canada is still striving towards a free and equal society. Freedom and equality have not yet been attained, they are not yet obvious truths.

If people's letters seem racist, sexist or homophobic, they should not be labelled and then censored. Instead, let us argue in the open forum of Canada's free press.

It is imperative that issues be debated around kitchen tables as well as on front pages of newspapers. I believe that freedom and equality are worth the never-ending debates.

Lest we forget.

Rhea Langhorst
Education U4 (visiting)

Having babies naturally

To the Daily:

As a mother who made an informed choice to have my babies naturally, with the assistance of a midwife, I'm writing this letter in support of lay-midwives.

I denounce the entire midwife pilot project and abhor the division of midwives into two groups. I demand that women be given the choice to have their babies at home, naturally, and that the midwives association be recognized!

Sincerely,
Laura Daron

International experiences

To the Daily:

Alex Roslin's article on "Students in Development" (November 21) contains many inaccuracies resulting in a distortion of the actual situation at McGill, thus greatly detracting from the efforts of many McGill students and staff who are participating in international development programs.

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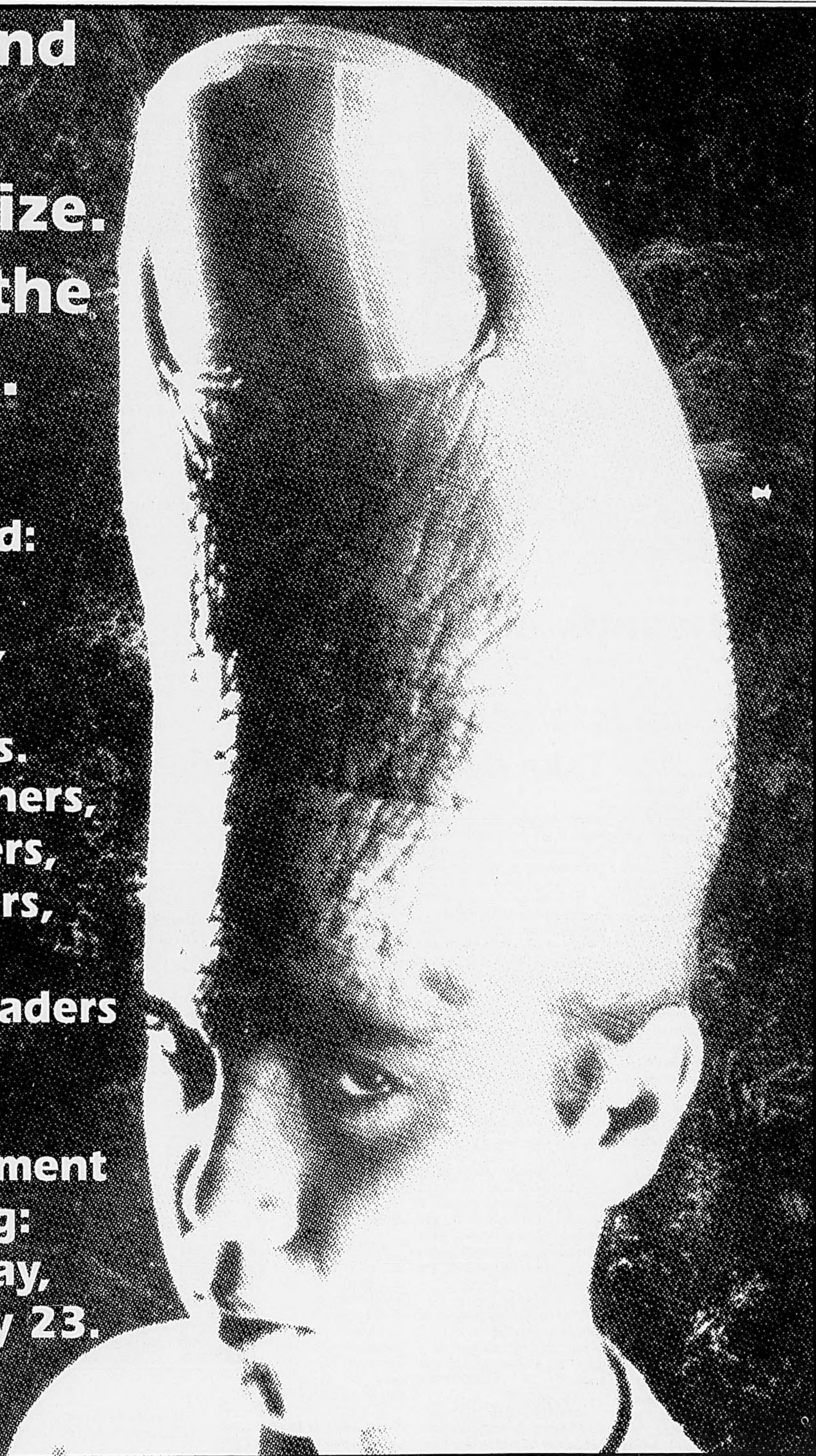
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Maeve Sullivan, student rep on Board of Governors

University government centralizing Students BOGged out

by Susan Vivian

Centralization in McGill's university government is shutting students out of key decision-making meetings, student reps say.

The Board of Governors is the highest administrative body at the university. This year two key Board committees were given new powers, while the Board itself became less effective. Students do not have membership on either committee.

"This year's centralization in the Board of Governors increased the role of the executive and financial committees," said Maeve Sullivan, student representative to the Board. "[Both committees] can make any decision for the Board except hiring and firing, yet neither has a student representative."

Board of Governors meetings have decreased from eight to five times a year. Each meeting consists mainly of a presentation by the executive and finance committees on their decisions. "BOG members have no idea of the actual issues, or

how decisions have been arrived at," Sullivan said.

Due to the increased importance of these committees, the Board has temporarily created a student position on the executive committee for Students' Society President Scott Mitic, the other student on the Board. But the position is not guaranteed and has no voting privileges. And there is no student rep on the important finance committee.

Sullivan said she and Mitic are concerned that student interests will be even further marginalized when important university decisions are made.

"Unless students are included in all Board of Governors (BOG) committees, their interests will be overlooked," said Sullivan. "Our current concern is to get a permanent, effective student voice on the Board."

"It's good they gave Scott (Mitic) a seat but I think they will be reluctant to give him any voting power."

Sullivan says students should also be concerned with the lack of de-

bate currently plaguing the Board of Governors. While the increased centralization has made the Board an effective body, decisions are being made with minimal group discussion.

By the end of the first semester, the Board had only met twice. Sullivan sits on the committee for Social Responsibility, which doesn't meet until May and Board members have suggested dissolving it entirely.

Sullivan said, "If we succeed at insuring student representation, it will be a major achievement." Unfortunately, Sullivan said she and Mitic aren't quite sure how to go about effecting such a reform. Any proposal for a new position must be recommended by the university nominating committee to the Board.

"We have talked to Professor Warshawsky [a member of the nominating committee] and he seemed very keen. At least we know we have one ally."

Thousands of students using food banks

by Krishna Rau

TORONTO (CUP) — Thousands of university students in Toronto have to rely on food banks for their daily sustenance.

According to Gerrard Kennedy, the director of Toronto's Daily Bread Food Bank, about three per cent of the bank's recipients attend college or university.

Kennedy said the figure totals about 4000 students.

"There's no question that students are using the food banks," he said. "It puts a little edge to the poor student thing." He said even more students are using other food banks and shelters.

People tend not to realize how badly off many students are, Kennedy suggested. "There's almost a casual thing about students being poor," he said. "This shows the lassitude in various social agencies that allows this to happen, even though students don't fit the stereotypical image."

Kennedy said a recent survey of the bank's users showed 18 per cent have some level of post-secondary education. And users who have graduated from high school has increased dramatically during the past few years, to 43 per cent from 13 per cent in 1987.

Last week a food bank opened on the University of Alberta campus after the Graduate Students' Association found some students could not afford enough food.

There is also a food bank at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia, and the University of British Columbia has had one in the past.

This year, the campus ministry at Concordia University in Montreal has been giving out approximately \$500 a month in food

stamps. Money for this program comes from Christmas fundraisers.

Deanne Fisher, the liaison officer at the University of Toronto's part-time students' association, said

the majority of students using food banks are probably part-timers, many of whom are single parents.

"They're generally people who have a lot more responsibility and

aren't dependent on their parents."

Fisher said Canada's student aid programs do not help students in those situations.

"Both the Ontario Student As-

sistance Program and Canada Student Loans are very youth-oriented programs. They're for people who can live with their parents or hold part-time jobs."

Take out the trash, orders radio station

TORONTO (CUP) — Volunteers at the University of Toronto's radio station are being forced to pay for the privilege of working there.

CIUT-FM now requires a \$20 membership fee from volunteer programmers and at least two hours a week of non-production work such as answering phones and emptying garbage bins.

Art Levine, programmer for "Shastriya Sangeet," an Indian music show, said he wants the new policy overturned. "What they're doing is extortionist and illegal," he said. "I don't want to cause trouble but they've been such consummate idiots in the way they've handled it."

Station manager David Hope said the fee will cover the cost of identification cards for volunteers, necessary because of thefts from the building. And he said it would make volunteers demonstrate their commitment to the station by coughing up the cash.

"(The fee) was not designed to generate revenue for the station," he said. "It's simply a way of asking people for a commitment," said Hope.

About \$140 000 of CIUT's operating budget comes from a five dollar compulsory fee paid by U of T un-

dergraduates. Students get a break on the volunteer membership fee and are charged \$15, while non-students must pay the full fee.

Hope said he supports the membership fee despite Levine's objections.

"Everyone else has supported the idea by paying up," Hope said. "Programming at the station is not his right, it's his privilege."

But Levine said it was a bad move, especially for recruiting new volunteers.

"Who has the money these days? It strikes me as a poor internal relations move for an executive to operate by telling people they have to pay money to volunteer."

Levine paid the \$20 after receiving a letter from Nilan Perera, CIUT

program director, saying Levine's show would be cancelled if he refused to pay the fee within two days.

they didn't think it through clearly. No one has told us what amounts will go to what services. No details have been given."

Levine said he is pursuing legal action. SAC vice-president Bart Arsenault, who sits on the CIUT board, approved of the \$20 fee, but did not know where the figure came from.

"It's reasonable. They (volunteers) are getting an experience of a lifetime for 20 bucks, for crying out loud, sure it's reasonable. It's a kind of commitment to the station showing the people they are really serious about what they're

doing." CIUT currently has approximately 200 volunteers.



"I paid the fee and we're on respectful terms, though I still believe

HAWAIIANS FIGHT FOR AUTONOMY

BY CHRISTINA CHA-LI CHEN

VANCOUVER (CUP) — After surviving almost 100 years of unwanted foreign rule, native Hawaiians are rediscovering their sense of national identity. But even a split from the United States may not be enough to save them as a distinct people.

"The United States is absorbing Hawaiian people through assimilation," says Michael Dudley, a former professor of Hawaiian culture and religion. "Eventually, their bloodline will disappear."

Hawaii has the world's highest rate of racial intermarriage. Although about 120 000 of its population of almost one million are part Hawaiian, only 8000 are direct descendants of the islands' original inhabitants. Fewer than 2000 of these still speak their own language.

The remote archipelago was "discovered" in the Pacific by Captain James Cook in 1778. His British sailors introduced syphilis and measles to the island, and missionaries had their usual "civilizing" effects (traditional hula dances were frowned upon). Forty years after Cook first landed, the Hawaiians had abandoned their traditional polytheism. One hundred years after his arrival, only 45 000 Hawaiians remained of the estimated 1778 population of 300 000.

The United States deposed the Hawaiian monarchy in 1893, and annexed the islands outright in 1898. No treaties were signed and no consent was given by the people who had lived there for over 1200 years.

Hawaii's last queen, Liliuokalani, died in 1917. The Americans had charged her with treason against her own country. In 1959, Hawaii became the 50th state.

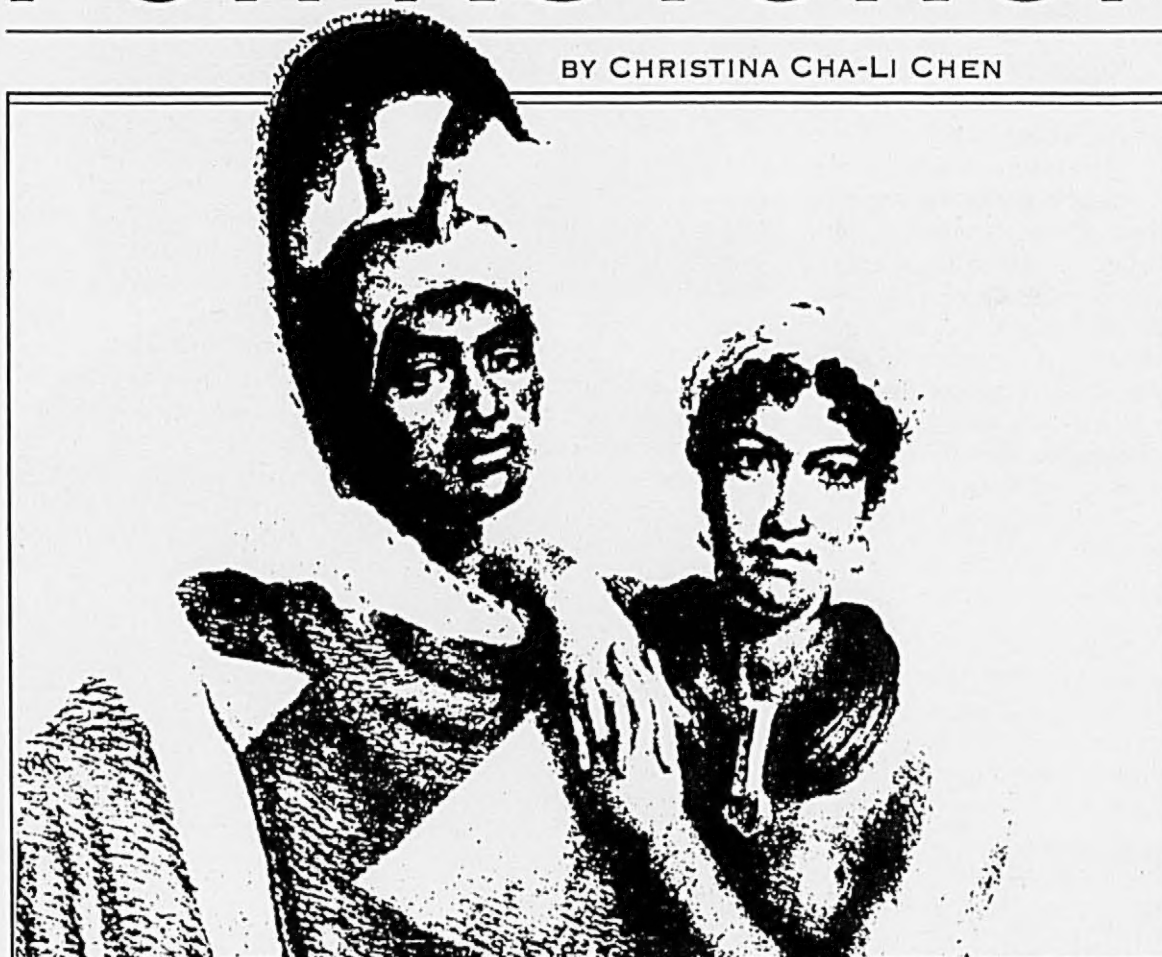
Paradise lost

Since the overthrow, the lifestyle of aboriginal Hawaiians has changed dramatically. Though they once lived by farming and fishing, they have become an impoverished and dispossessed people.

Their Hawaii is no travel brochure paradise of ethnic harmony.

They have the highest unemployment, the lowest education, the lowest-paying jobs, the worst housing, and the highest death rate from Western maladies such as heart disease, diabetes, and cancer of any ethnic group in the United States. Native Hawaiian men between the ages of 18 and 34 rank the highest in the state's suicide figures. One third of families live in poverty.

The Hawaiian culture and ancestral background were considered shameful by Westerners, so the



Boki, High Chief and Governor of Oahu, with his wife Liliha

young were taught to only speak English and follow the Haole's ("out-of-breath-pale-one's") way of life. Indigenous prayers, language, dancing and chanting were practised only at home, or not at all.

"The older generations discouraged the young from speaking Hawaiian and for cultural reasons; they (the young) did not question their rulers," says Keoni Agard, a native Hawaiian lawyer specializing in land claims.

Native youths, who encounter difficulties adjusting to Western education methods, make up the highest percentage of high school drop-outs. Only four to six per cent enter university.

Tourist trapped

Tourism is Hawaii's big industry and the primary source of economic distress for aboriginal Hawaiians. Every year, over five million North American and Japanese visitors pour into the islands, but few of their dollars or yen make it into native Hawaiian hands.

Inflated food and housing prices from the yearly boom mean more aboriginal people must enter the tourism work force.

"But they can only find the lowest paying jobs, which lowers their self-esteem," says Dudley, who also translates Hawaiian literature for the education ministry. "It's the last nail in the coffin."

Many have fought losing battles with land developers to keep their homes or protect the environment.

"We can't afford housing at the current price, which is about \$359 000 (US) for a family of four," Keoni Agard says. "Many families are forced to share a house with others, or several generations live under one roof."

Aboriginal families unable to find suitable housing either move to the mainland or go homeless, he says.

Agard adds that tourism has distorted Hawaiian culture and the true meaning of the Aloha (love) spirit.

"Commercialism has no realm in Hawaiian culture. We welcome people out of genuine happiness to be with them, not for their money."

But the almighty dollar hasn't won yet. An unexpected revival of Hawaiian culture in the early 1970s, sparked by John Domini's book, *On Being Hawaiian*, earned the decade the title "Hawaiian Renaissance." Activists, inspired by the tactics of the Black Panthers and the American Indian Movement, began to fight back.

Today, many native Hawaiians have banded together to promote their cultural heritage and identity by relearning indigenous language, dance and chants.

A 1986 study by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs found that 18 per cent want to study their language in school. In 1987, an immersion program was implemented in several preschools and elementary schools with grade four as the highest level.

"Now more people are aware of the injustice [of foreign rule] and are starting to learn about the past," Agard says. "In 1991, questions are encouraged."

Landmark politics

This year, 23 Hawaiian groups have joined forces to fight for sovereignty under the umbrella name of Hui Naauao. The move is a first in Hawaii's history.

Keoni Agard says the thickest plank in their platform is the claim the American government unlawfully took possession of Hawaii,

contrary to its non-interventionist principle.

"The overthrow of the Hawaiian kingdom in 1893 was an act of war, against the US's international law of self-government," says Agard.

At the University of Hawaii, about 200 native Hawaiians have formed Make'e Pono Lahui Hawai'i (Hawaii Student Liberty Union) and have held several demonstrations asking for justice and decolonization. They are also pushing the university's student paper to publish some articles only in the Hawaiian language.

Agard attributes the raised awareness to higher education, but adds that many remain uninformed about the myriad of issues related to self-government.

The biggest stumbling block for the sovereignty movement is logistics and money for lawyers, educators, and activists, according to Michael Dudley.

Due to time and budget constraints, only three native attorneys are involved in the sovereignty legal planning.

"Most of us are fighting for sovereignty on top of two or three jobs," he says. The financial problems, however, are slowly being overcome. The state legislature has granted \$70 000 to sovereignty groups and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs has donated \$50 000.

1993: Year of change?

On another front, the Democrats and the Republicans have passed party resolutions to support

self-determination, and governor John Waihee says, "The time has come to address sovereignty." But sovereignty can mean many things and state authorities are thinking about the year 2000 before making any concrete changes.

OHA spokesperson Ed Michaelman is targeting 1993 as the year to introduce sovereignty to the legislature — the centennial of the kingdom's overthrow.

Michael Dudley agrees that aboriginal Hawaiians can't wait until the turn of the century.

"If the base of sovereignty is not established by 1993 or 1994, it probably will never be," he says.

Dudley says aboriginal Hawaiians must regain some of their territory soon to slow down the rapid dilution of the Hawaiian bloodline.

"If natives had their own territory, they would be more conscious of their national identity and form stronger cultural bonds within their group."

Large tracts of islands are supposedly held in trust for aboriginal Hawaiians: the "Ceded Lands" were to provide them with revenue, while the "Home Lands" were specifically set aside for their residence. The OHA is contesting several pieces of land taken from the Hawaiian monarchy in 1898, but supposedly returned to the natives in 1959 when Hawaii became a state.

"The land is owned by the state, not Hawaiians and some portions are still retained by the federal government for military usages and parks," says Michaelman.

An American exodus?

Michael Dudley predicts many island residents would move to the mainland and tourism would decrease if Hawaii were once again independent.

"Many Americans will probably leave to live under American rule and after sovereignty, concern for the land will come first, then tourism."

He admits problems from tourism wouldn't disappear.

"But the quality of tourists will change — they will be more conscious about nature."

But Dudley's utopian vision is likely simply utopian. The former agricultural society now imports most of its vegetables, fruit and meat — and exports papayas and flowers. A sovereign Hawaii governed in the best interests of aboriginal Hawaiians is a long shot at best.

Its foreseeable future will be determined at travel agencies in Los Angeles and Tokyo, where the walls are plastered with posters of flower-bearing bathing beauties.

Students to pay for job centre

by Michael Rottmayer

The federal government is pulling funding from the Canada Employment Centre on McGill's campus, and the university plans to levy a new student fee to keep the Centre going.

The federal government announced it will cut its Canada Employment Centre program at universities across the country this July. To compensate, the government proposes giving some funding to universities for private centres. This funding would be phased out over two years.

To replace Federal money, university administrators have suggested a new student fee. The fee, which could be as high as \$8 per semester, was discussed at a November meeting of a Senate committee on student services.

Some students on the committee are upset about the university's fee plan. Alternative funding strategies instead of fees have not been adequately explored, and students have not been

consulted enough, according to the Post-Graduate Students' Society, which represents McGill graduate students.

"Why should students be the only ones who pay for it?" said Eugenio Bolongaro, VP external of the PGSS. Bolongaro added that the fee, which would be the sole source of finances to the new centre, would discourage the university

from looking for funding alternatives.

"Once you have a fee in place, the incentive to look for other sources is diminished."

Some possible alternatives are:

- Charging employers who use the centre for recruiting. Universities are considering this option, said Wes Cross, financial officer of student services at McGill. But charging recruiters is a problem because of the recession-induced shortage of jobs, and because of the difficulty of charging recruiters if other universities are not doing so.

"No one wants to be first, but everyone would like to do it," said Cross.

- Funding from the University's operating budget. Queen's and the University of Ottawa each have their own employment centre, paid for out of the general operating budget. Cross said this was impossible in

Quebec because of the structure of provincial grants to the university.

- Provincial funding. Quebec

wants to take over responsibility for manpower and training from the federal government. There is some indication that Quebec is interested, but Cross said he had not received any formal offers from the Treasury Department or the Education Ministry.

- Restoration of federal funding if the Tories lose the next election.

"Since it is going to be paid for with student money, we should find out what students want,"

— Eugenio Bolongaro, VP External of PGSS.



Eugenio Bolongaro wants businesses to pay their share

Said Cross, "The Liberals started the on-campus employment centres in the 1970's. The Tories have never been in favour of them."

PGSS executives deplored a lack of student involvement in deciding about funding the employment centre. The committee voted down a motion to consult students about the fee in a referendum.

"Since it is going to be paid for with student money, we should find

out what students want," said Eugenio Bolongaro, VP External of PGSS.

And Michael Temelini, PGSS President, said "I'm disappointed with the committee because of a lack of debate. I think there needs to be open debate."

Half the members of the committee are students. The student representatives are the presidents of each of the faculty associations and the Students' Society president.

Students spur on pro-choice

VANCOUVER(CUP) — Students are becoming increasingly involved in British Columbia's pro-choice movement.

University-based groups have picked up some of the slack left by the established movement, said Christine Price, co-president of University of British Columbia Students for Choice (UBCSC).

"It's not just old feminists any more," said Price. "A lot of young feminists are getting involved and a lot of men and that's great."

Many pro-choice activists are committed enough to fighting for the right to abortion that they will risk arrest, she said.

Alisa Nemesis, a member of the B.C. Coalition for Abortion Clinics said student groups have jumpstarted the established pro-choice movement and have ended its lethargy.

"My own feeling is that we're getting more active, because students are getting active and pushing us," she said.

UBCSC has recently begun protesting the presence of anti-choice demonstrators at the Every Woman's Health Clinic in Vancouver. At the University of Victoria, the Pro-Choice Action Committee organized a protest against a Bank of Montréal "affinity" credit card for anti-choice groups.

Nemesis said her organization has had difficulties mobilizing people since the Senate's defeat of Bill C-43, which would have restricted abortion.

"There's been a real lack of momentum," she said. "It seems that many pro-choice people thought the battle was won when we were just defending our ground."

Membership in the coalition has also declined which has resulted in a drop of revenues for the organization, said Nemesis.

"This makes it difficult for us because the anti-choice movement is so well funded by corporations and religious institutions," she said.

Nemesis said there is limited access to abortion in B.C., especially outside greater Vancouver. There are only two abortion clinics in Vancouver itself, and less than half of the province's hospitals will perform abortions.

Price said the pro-choice movement shouldn't rest on its laurels. "Just because we have two abortion clinics and an NDP government, there is no reason to stop fighting."

Activists must push for improved access to abortion services in the B.C. interior and on Vancouver Island, she added.

The only other active pro-choice groups in B.C. are small, grassroots organizations which have typically fought local hospital boards for abortion services.

Layoffs to hit Ontario universities

by Naomi Klein

TORONTO (CUP) — Ontario universities will have to face reduced enrolment and massive layoffs unless government funding increases, says an organization of Ontario universities.

If universities don't get a seven per cent increase in government grants next year 1045 faculty and 1312 staff will need to be cut, predicts the Council of Ontario Universities (COU) in a report released last month.

The COU report also says enrolment would need to be reduced by over 17 000 and universities would need to increase tuition fees by up to 33 per cent.

"(The provincial government) will have to make up their minds about what the hell they are going to do," said Pat Adams, COU public relations director. "They can't go around pretending that this is a non-issue. It's a big issue and we had to give the government some sense of reality."

Adams said universities are being hit especially hard by the recession and subsequent cuts. "We've been underfunded for 12 years," she said. "The recession is just one more hit."

The provincial government has warned colleges and universities that funding increases may be as low as two or three per cent next year, due to the federal government's cuts to transfer payments for health and education.

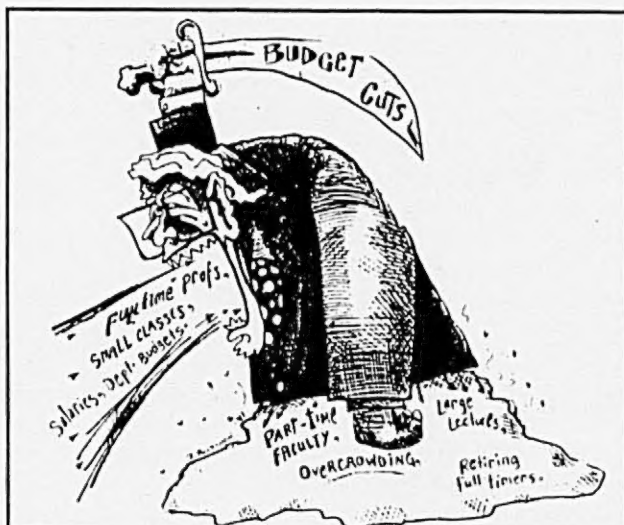
"Increases are going to be low," said Catherine Clement, communications director for provincial treasurer Floyd Laughren. "Everybody has to do their share."

The COU report also warns that gains made by support staff and non-tenured faculty through employment equity programs will be lost. "The last in are the first out and those are women, visible minorities and those who are physically challenged," Adams said. "Those gains are all going to be lost."

"Many of the support positions are held by women who are single parents and they will be cut first. Those are people who are going to find it very difficult to find other jobs."

Bill Graham, the president of the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations, said it is not fair to put these employees out of work.

"The burden should not be put on the working people at the universities who are having a very hard time now," said Graham.



U.S.A. NEWS BRIEFS

Ni Pape, ni jugel?

"Get pregnant and you go to jail." These were the terms of probation decided by a male judge in Columbus, Indiana for a woman found guilty of shoplifting. The woman said she had to steal because she did not have sufficient income to take care of her children. The 26-year-old woman is married, has four children and was six months pregnant at the time of the sentencing.

The judge approved her request to have an abortion. Three weeks later, he ruled that she would be found in violation of probation if she became pregnant again.

"I try to make the conditions of probation fit particular people," the judge said.

Although the woman said she takes oral contraceptives, she said she is terrified of accidentally becoming pregnant and being sent to prison for violating probation.

Big Time College Drunks

American college students will spend about \$4.2 billion per year for alcoholic beverages. That figure is more than what is presently spent throughout the United States on campus libraries, scholarships and fellowships combined.

Woman "slanders" fraternity

A woman at Syracuse University has been found guilty of slander by a university board for defaming a local fraternity. The woman was accused of putting up posters accusing a specific fraternity of gang-rape. The poster read, "We know what you have done," and was not signed.

The five-member student judiciary recommended the accused woman be placed on disciplinary probation. The woman maintained

her innocence and accused the university of trying to cover up the real problem — rape on campus.

Chanting "Ban rape, not paste," about 50 of the woman's supporters later marched to Chancellor Melvin Egger's home to protest the university's treatment of rape issues. Several bystanders yelled sexual slurs at the demonstrators.

The woman intends to appeal the decision.

Boy Scouts Discriminate

A Los Angeles Superior Court judge ruled the American constitution permits the Boy Scouts of America to discriminate against gay Scout leaders. The judge said the Boy Scout's right to free expression is necessary for the group to "get across its preferred message" that homosexuality is "immoral."

The court's ruling contravened a state law that specifically prohibits discrimination based on sexual preference.

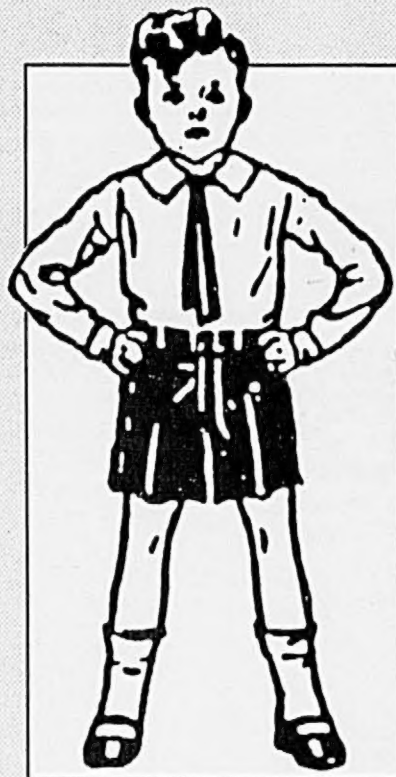
Eagle Scout Timothy Curran sought a staff position with a California chapter of the Boy Scouts. When the chapter refused Curran because of his sexual orientation, he went to the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).

The ACLU argued the Boy Scouts' policy violates the California Civil Rights Act. However, Judge Sally Grant Disco ruled that application of the Civil Rights Act in this case would violate the Boy

Scouts' constitutional rights to free expression.

The ACLU plans to repeal the ruling. "I think many people are going to be surprised with Judge Disco's conclusion that part of the mission of the Boy Scouts is to be anti-gay," said ACLU senior staff counsel Jon Davidson.

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Pity that men who claim to oppose rape (Rothgiesser and Mabry) feel the need to sell male bonding in the same breath to possible volunteers. An empirical approach would reveal that male bonding is in fact both a cause of rape and rapists' best protection against community action. Montréal Men Against Sexism believes that men no more have to identify with some Positive Masculinity than Caucasians have to redeem clear pigmentation as somehow significant. Good or effective in a struggle against racism. Why not quit the "as men" or "better-feminists-than-women" posturing and get down to effective anti-sexism work? Probably because of male bonding. Couldn't we disclaim allegiance to our balls for a few days and try for accountability?

Martin Dufresne
Montréal Men Against Sexism

Victimization of Sindhis

To the Daily:

The situation in the province of Sind in Pakistan remains tense. In particular, the indigenous people of Sind are suffering at the hands of the non-Sindhi military and political rulers of Pakistan. They are being deprived of jobs in the government and in the military. As well, those already employed are being fired or otherwise forcibly removed.

Violence, actively encouraged and perpetuated by the police, is the hallmark of the province. Ordinary Sindhis are being gunned down. The sole reason is to frighten the population into total subjugation.

Sindhi leaders are being jailed and tortured en masse unless they follow the government line. The world community seems to be too busy with the events in Yugoslavia and the Middle

East. Silently, the poor Sindhis are being virtually held prisoners on their own land.

The Amnesty International has documented numerous cases of prisoners of conscience in Sind. I appeal to you, in your position of influence, to please investigate and report in vivid detail the atrocities being committed on Sind and on the Sindhis.

Medhi Shallwani
Continuing Education

Infallible logic

To the Daily:

I would like to draw attention to a most remarkable discovery. Immanuel Kant's *Critique of Pure Reason* is in fact a clear and concise (though cryptic) argument for national unity, and contains the transcendental deduction of the *a priori* validity of Québec's sign laws. To prove this, all you need to do is substitute "Canada" where he writes "knowledge", "French language" for "object", "signs" for "appearances" and "national" for "synthetic".

Let me give you an example: "Since this unity must be regarded as necessary *a priori*—otherwise Canada would be without the French language—the relations to a transcendental French, that is, the objective reality of our imperial Canada, rests on a transcendental law, that all signs, insofar as through them French is to be given to us, must stand under those *a priori* rules of national unity whereby the interrelating of these signs (both in the street and in the stores) in imperial Canada is alone possible."

I venture to suggest that this settles the question of their validity.

Yours wearily,
Jason Prince
Arts U3

cc/Lyndon Larouche

False accusations happen

To the Daily:

As someone at McGill who has been the object of a sexual harassment complaint, allow me to respond to comments made by Sylvia Di Iorio of McGill's Sexual Assault Centre in the November 22 *Daily*.

Ms. Di Iorio contends that the existing system at McGill, whereby a harassment complaint is handled by an assessor acting as go-between for the complainant and the accused, is unfair to complainants. "A woman must feel she is believed in a case of sexual harassment," Ms. Di Iorio protests. "But the assessors have to listen to both sides of the story."

I confess my jaw dropped when I read those lines. Surely "listening to both sides of the story" is the foundation of any fair investigative process! Ms. Di Iorio apparently feels that merely making a complaint ought to be sufficient (at least, as she phrases it, if the complainant is female). The guilt of the accused seems to be taken as a given.

But is there no such thing as a false charge? I can attest that there is.

A complaint of sexual harassment was brought against me some time ago. At its heart lay, I think, a misunderstanding rather than malice on the part of the complainant. Nevertheless, the allegation caused me considerable anguish. Anyone who has ever been wrongly accused of a serious offence will appreciate the kind of stress and emotional exhaustion involved.

The charge was handled by a McGill assessor who, as the *Daily* article points out, was "chosen by the Principal and ... approved by a committee of faculty and student representatives." She interviewed both parties and solicited relevant documents. After weeks of careful investigation, she adjudicated

in my favour, finding no evidence of sexual harassment. My department accepted the ruling, and there was no interruption in my professional duties.

At all stages of this often agonizing experience, I nonetheless felt fairly treated by an impartial assessor who was not operating on a presumption of guilt. Ms. Di Iorio should bear this example in mind when she argues for a change in McGill's policy which would, in essence, destroy the accused's chances of a fair hearing.

Sexual harassment is a problem which deserves attention and action at the highest levels of society and this university. False allegations may be unusual. But they do occur (whether through misunderstanding or malice), and they can ruin lives and careers if they are unquestioningly believed. For this reason, investigative standards ought to transcend the kind of blind partisanship evident in Ms. Di Iorio's comments.

Anonymous

Ed. Note: We have letters with extra length from Fred Methot, Hoori Hamboyan, Robert M. Byrom, Terry Warner, Lev Bukhman, Claudine Lefort and James Kulczycki. Remember: 300 words is the limit. Pay us a visit, and perform a paragonectomy or two.

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160-332B	Politics of the Evolving Soviet Republics	Kagedan	W 8:30-11:30
160-338B	Topics in the Politics of The Third World Topic: Authoritarianism and Democratization in the Middle East	Brynen	T-Th 16:00-17:30
160-345B	International Organizations	Broadhurst	T-Th 13:00-14:30
160-346B	The Foreign Policies of the Super Powers	Jacobson	F 10:30-13:30
160-350B	Deterrence & Arms Control: War Avoidance and War Limitation (multi-disciplinary)	Broadhurst	T-Th 16:00-17:30
160-357B	Politics in Contemporary Western Europe	Johnson	M-W-F 12:30-13:30
160-360B	International Security: Strategies of War & Peace	Paul	M-W-F 15:30-16:30
160-370B	Revolution Tranquille et changements Politiques au Quebec	Salee	T-Th 8:30-10:00
160-371B	The Challenge of Canadian Federalism	Maclean	M-W-F 16:30-17:30
160-426B	Partis Politiques et Comportements Electoraux au Québec	Lachapelle	T-Th 11:30-13:00
160-427B	Selected Topics in Canadian Politics Topic: Canadian Political Thought	Maclean	M-W-F 13:30-14:30
106-492B	Canadian Studies Seminar Current Issues in Canadian Constitutional Development (not open to students who have taken 160-521A)	Schultz	T-Th 14:30-16:00

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SPORT	CATEGORY	COST	GAME DAYS & TIMES	LOCATION	LEAGUE PLAY BEGINS	MIN. NO. OF PLAYERS TO REGISTER	MAX. NO. OF PLAYERS	REGISTRATION	CAPTAINS' MEETING
BASKETBALL	MEN A & B WOMEN	\$60.00 per team	Mon. 20:00 - 22:45 Tue. 20:00 - 22:45 Sun. 09:00 - 17:30	Currie Gym	Jan. 19	10	16	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 18:15 Gymnasium 3
BASKETBALL 3 on 3	MEN WOMEN	\$18.00 per team	Feb. 8 & 15	Currie Gym	Feb. 8	3	3	Jan. 22, 09:00 to Feb. 5, 17:00	Draw will be posted on Feb. 6, 15:00 hrs. Office G-35
BALL HOCKEY	MEN	\$60.00 per team	Tue. 20:15 - 22:45 Sun. 09:00 - 17:30	Currie Gym	Jan. 19	10	16	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 18:15 Gymnasium 3
BOWLING	CO-REC	\$24.00 per team	January 24	Laurentian Lanes	Jan. 24	4	4	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Draw will be posted on January 22, 15:00 hrs. Office G-35
BROOMBALL	MEN WOMEN CO-REC	\$85.00 per team	Sat. 09:00 - 17:30 Sun. 09:00 - 17:30 Tue. 17:00 - 22:00 Wed. 17:00 - 22:00 Thur. 17:00 - 22:00	Molson Stadium Rink	Jan. 18	10	16	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 18:15 Gymnasium 3
INNERTUBE WATERPOLO	CO-REC	\$60.00 per team	Sun. 09:00 - 15:00	Weston Pool	Jan. 19	12	18	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 18:15 Gymnasium 3
SOCCER (INDOOR)	MEN	\$60.00 per team	Sat. 09:00 - 17:30	Currie Gym	Jan. 18	10	16	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 18:15 Gymnasium 3
SOCCER (INDOOR)	CO-REC	\$60.00 per team	Tue. 20:15 - 22:45 Wed. 20:15 - 22:45	Currie Gym	Jan. 21	10	16	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 19:15 Gymnasium 3
SQUASH	MEN A & B WOMEN	\$6.00 per player	Jan. 24, 25 & 26	Currie Gym Squash Cts.	Jan. 24	1	N/A	Jan. 15, 09:00 to Jan. 21, 17:00	Draw will be posted on January 22, 15:00 Office G-35
TABLE TENNIS	MEN WOMEN	\$6.00 per player	Jan. 31, Feb. 1 & 2	Fitness Room	Jan. 31	1	N/A	Jan. 15, 09:00 to Jan. 28, 17:00	Draw will be posted on January 29, 15:00 hrs. Office G-35
VOLLEYBALL	MEN WOMEN	\$60.00 per team	Mon. 20:00 - 22:45 Tue. 20:00 - 22:45 Wed. 20:00 - 22:45	Currie Gym	Jan. 21	9	16	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 18:15 Gymnasium 3
VOLLEYBALL	CO-REC	\$60.00 per team	Wed. 20:00 - 22:45 Thur. 20:00 - 22:45 Fri. 17:15 - 22:00	Currie Gym	Jan. 16	9	16	Jan. 7, 09:00 to Jan. 14, 17:00	Jan. 14, 19:15 Gymnasium 3
VOLLEYBALL (4 on 4)	CO-REC	\$24.00 per team	March 15 & 22	Currie Gym	March 1	4	5	March 2, 09:00 to March 11, 17:00	Draw will be posted on March 12, 15:00 hrs. Office G-35

Registration: Campus Recreation Office
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